

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An automatic driver device (3) for joining components (2), ~~especially vehicle bodies~~, in a driving station (1), the driver device comprising:

a basic carrier (8), ~~and with;~~

a plurality of automatic driver tools (4, 5), ~~which are~~ mounted ~~thereon~~ on said basic

carrier

an adjusting means, said automatic driver tools being movable ~~movably~~ along a plurality of axes by means of ~~[[an]]~~ said adjusting means, ~~characterized in that a~~ said plurality of ~~said~~ driver tools (4, 5) ~~are being~~ integrated in at least one screwdriver group (6, 7) and ~~are~~ and being mounted together movably at the basic carrier (8) by means of ~~[[an]]~~ said adjusting means (9).

2. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with claim 1, ~~characterized in that one or more~~ wherein said driver tools (4, 5) are additionally mounted movably in relation to one another by means of ~~at least one~~ said adjusting means (9, 17, 25) within ~~[[the]]~~ said screwdriver group (6, 7).

3. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with claim 1 ~~or 2~~, ~~characterized in that at least one~~ wherein said adjusting means ~~is designed as~~ comprises a multistep carriage unit (9) that can be telescoped or cascaded.

4. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with claim 3, ~~characterized in~~

that wherein the carriage unit (9) has a plurality of said carriage steps (10, 11) that are movable relative to one another along at least one axis, ~~preferably a linear axis.~~

5. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with claim 3 ~~or 4~~, characterized ~~in that~~ wherein the carriage steps (10, 11) are mounted next to each other.

6. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with claim [[3,]] 4 ~~or 5~~, characterized ~~in that~~ wherein at least one said carriage step (10) has a plate- or frame-like subcarrier (14, 15) with a plurality of said driver tools (4, 5) integrated in a screwdriver group (6, 7).

7. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~ claim 1, characterized ~~in that~~ wherein at least one said driver tools (4, 5) from the screwdriver group (6, 7) is arranged on at least one next carriage stage (11) and/or on a transverse adjusting portion of said adjusting means (17).

8. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~ claim 4, characterized ~~in that~~ wherein the carriage steps (10, 11) have controllable carriage drives (12, 13) of their own.

9. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~

claim 1, ~~characterized in that the~~ wherein said adjusting means ~~(9, 16, 17) have~~ has a smaller width and length than the basic carrier ~~(8)~~.

10. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~ claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a plurality of said carriage units ~~(9)~~ are arranged next to each other on the basic carrier ~~(8)~~.

11. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~ claim 3, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said adjusting means has, for each said driver tools, ~~(4, 5)~~ has a linear transverse adjusting means ~~(17) of its own~~ with a controllable adjusting drive ~~(26)~~.

12. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~ claim 11, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the transverse adjusting means ~~(17)~~ is arranged between the driver tools ~~(4, 5)~~ and the multistep carriage unit ~~(9)~~ or a one-step longitudinal adjusting means ~~(16)~~.

13. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~ claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the driver tools ~~(4, 5)~~ has a bracket ~~(18)~~ and a driving unit ~~(20)~~ movable thereon along one or more axes.

14. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 13, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a height adjusting means (24) is arranged between the
bracket (18) and the driving unit (20).

15. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 13, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a pivoting adjusting means (25) is arranged between the
bracket (18) and the driving unit (20).

16. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 13, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the driving unit (20) has a driving spindle (21) with a
driving head (22) and with a carried spindle drive (23).

17. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the basic carrier (8) has a plate- or frame-like design.

18. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the basic carrier (8) has a chassis and a ~~guide~~ (30),
~~preferably a rail guide~~, for withdrawing and extending from the driving station (1).

19. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the basic carrier (8) has a centering and lifting unit (27).

20. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 19, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the centering and lifting unit (27) comprises a plurality
of introducing units (28) with said lifting devices (29).

21. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 1, ~~characterized in that the driver device (3) has~~ further comprising: a control (34), ~~to~~
which connected to said adjusting means (9, 16, 17, 24, 25) and the spindle drives (23) ~~are~~
connected of said driving unit.

22. (Currently Amended) A driver device in accordance with ~~one of the above claims~~
claim 21, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the control (34) ~~is designed as~~ comprises a numeric
multi-axis control, ~~preferably as a robot control.~~

23. (Currently Amended) A driving station for joining said components (2), ~~especially~~
of vehicle bodies, the station comprising:

~~with an automatic driver device (3), characterized in that the driver device (3) has a~~
~~design according to the above claims~~ comprising a basic carrier, a plurality of automatic driver
5 tools mounted on said basic carrier and an adjusting means, said automatic driver tools being
movable along a plurality of axes by means of said adjusting means, said plurality of driver tools
being integrated in at least one screwdriver group and being mounted together movably at said
basic carrier by means of said adjusting means.

24. (Currently Amended) A driving station in accordance with claim 22, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein a spindle carrier (35) is arranged between the components (2) and the driver device (3).

25. (Currently Amended) A process for joining said components (2), ~~especially of~~ vehicle bodies, in a driving station (1) with an automatic driver ~~device~~ (3), the process comprising providing a basic carrier (8), ~~and~~ with a plurality of automatic driver tools (4, 5) mounted movably along multiple axes thereon by means of an adjusting means; and ;
5 ~~characterized in that~~ a integrating said plurality of ~~said~~ driver tools (4, 5) are integrated in a screwdriver group (6, 7) and are adjusted together by means of ~~[[an]]~~ said adjusting means (9).

26. (Currently Amended) A process in accordance with claim 25, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein one or more said driver tools (4, 5) are additionally adjusted relative to one another by means of ~~at least one~~ said adjusting means (9, 17, 25) within the screwdriver group (6, 7).